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MARINA-WIMAPHIL-JOTUN TRAINING ON ANTI-FOULING SYSTEMS

MESSAGE

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TO JOTUN PHILIPPINES LED BY **MR. ROHAN SHETTY**;
THE EXECUTIVES OF ARCHIPELAGO PHILIPPINES FERRIES AND
REPRESENTING THE WOMEN IN MARITIME PHILIPPINES AS WELL,
MS. MARY ANN PASTRANA AND ENGR. LEOSALA;
TO OUR DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR OPERATIONS **ENGR.**
NANNETTE DINOPOL;
TO CHIEF OF STAFF / DIRECTOR OF SRS **ENGR. RAMON**
HERNANDEZ;
ALL THE MARINA DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE
PRESENT TODAY;
TO OUR RESOURCE SPEAKERS AND FROM ABS PHILIPPINES, AS
PRINCIPAL SURVEYOR / AUDITOR **ENGR. SATURNINO BABAO**;

TO ALL OUR PARTICIPANTS, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, LADIES
AND GENTLEMEN, A PLEASANT MORNING TO EVERYONE AND
FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK MS. MARY ANN AND
ARCHIPELAGO FOR PAVING THE WAY TO START THIS
COLLABORATION.



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I REMEMBER IN AUGUST 2023, THE MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY (MARINA) WAS WARMLY WELCOMED BY THE JOTUN PHILIPPINES, INC. AT THEIR HEADQUARTERS IN STO. TOMAS, BATANGAS WHERE WE DISCUSSED THE AREAS OF COLLABORATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE MARITIME INDUSTRY PARTICULARLY IN MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION. I WAS WITH ENGR. HERNANDEZ AND OTHER SRS PERSONNEL WHEN WE CONDUCTED THE PLANT VISIT, AND THAT TIME, THE JOTUN PRESENTED THEIR PRODUCTS AND PLANS IN RELATION TO THEIR COMMITMENT FOR CLEANER SHIPPING OPERATIONS IN THE COUNTRY,

AND DURING THAT PLANT VISIT, WE ALSO DISCUSSED AND INVITED JOTUN TO JOIN US IN THE 3RD MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION FORUM AT THE BLUE ECONOMY ANNUAL TRADE AND CONFERENCE (BEACON) LAST SEPTEMBER, WHERE MR. RYAN LEE OF JOTUN PRESENTED THE "HULL MAINTENANCE MEASURES TO IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY," WHICH EMPHASIZED AS WELL THE HULL OPTIMIZATION AND EFFICIENCY BY INVESTING IN PREMIUM ANTI-FOULING PAINTS AND SYSTEMS.

SO FAST FORWARD, I AM VERY GLAD THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY FOR THE FIRST OFFICIAL EVENT BETWEEN MARINA, JOTUN AND OF COURSE WITH THE SUPPORT OF OUR WIMAPHIL BOTH FROM THE NATIONAL - THE WIMAPHIL ASSOCIATION ITSELF AND THE WIMAPHIL-MARINA WHICH WILL HIGHLIGHT THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS OF FOULING, AND HOW IT IS IMPORTANT TO



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EXPLORE THE BEST PRACTICES IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT THE AVAILABLE ANTI-FOULING SYSTEMS.

SO, I URGE EVERYONE TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S TRAINING SO WE CAN COMPREHENSIVELY DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE OF BIOFOULING MANAGEMENT IN ANTIFOULING SYSTEMS PARTICULARLY IN ENSURING SHIP EFFICIENCY AND ENHANCING MARINE ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION.

IT IS ALSO A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO IDENTIFY WHAT ARE THE THINGS TO BE DONE IN ORDER TO ALIGN OUR EXISTING POLICIES AND COMPLY WITH THE AFS CONVENTION. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO REITERATE THAT OUR TRAINING IS IN RELATION TO THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR MARITIME INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT PLAN (MIDP) 2028 WHICH WAS ADOPTED THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY NO LESS THAN THE PRESIDENT, EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 55 LAST FEBRUARY 8.

UNDER THE MIDP 2028, THERE IS AN **OVERRIDING PROGRAM ON THE PROMOTION OF ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE MARITIME INDUSTRY** WHICH AIMS TO ESTABLISH A SUSTAINABLE MARITIME INDUSTRY AND LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES THAT WILL REDOUND TO THE CREATION OF GREEN JOBS. SO, THE SAID MIDP PROGRAM COMPRISES OF STRATEGIES AND SPECIFIC COMPONENTS THAT ENCOMPASSES THE FOUR CORE PROGRAMS OF THE INDUSTRY AND THAT IS OF COURSE, COVERING DOMESTIC SHIPPING, OVERSEAS SHIPPING, OUR



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SHIPBUILDING AND SHIP REPAIR SECTOR AS WELL AS THE MARITIME HUMAN RESOURCE.

SO, WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO JOTUN, WIMAPHIL, OUR RESOURCE SPEAKERS FROM ABS PHILIPPINES AND ARCHIPELAGO FROM BEING GREAT PARTNERS OF MARINA IN UNDERTAKING THIS EVENT.

I HIGHLY ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO JOIN OUR AGENCY IN PUSHING FOR A COMFORTABLE, ACCESSIBLE, SAFE, SUSTAINABLE AND AFFORDABLE MARITIME TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS THROUGH THE 'WHOLE-OF-NATION APPROACH' DURING THIS ERA OF 'BAGONG PILIPINAS.'

WITH THAT, I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO A VERY FRUITFUL AND PRODUCTIVE DISCUSSION TODAY.

MULI, MAGANDANG UMAGA AT MARAMING SALAMAT PO SA INYONG LAHAT.